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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Ex. Anthony D. Barfield

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Re: Application of: David S. Breed et al.

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For: Vehicular Seats Including Occupant Protection
Apparatus

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 22, 2004 which set a shortened statutory period for reply expiring on June 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

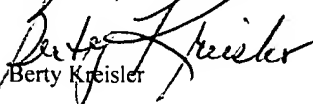
INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Argument begin on page 11 of this paper.

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